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FIFTEEN SERVICE CROSS RECIPIENTS SCHEDULED FOR INDUCTION AT LOUISIANA MILITARY HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM

Secretary of State Tom Schedler and the Friends of the Louisiana Military Hall of Fame and Museum are inviting the public to attend the fifth induction ceremony at the museum located at 911 Revis Sirmon Loop in Abbeville on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. First Assistant Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin and guest speaker Department of Natural Resources Secretary Scott Angelle will also be in attendance to honor the 15 Louisiana service cross recipients who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame during a ceremony at 2 p.m.

Inductees are:

- Pvt. Alex J. Barbier, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from White Castle
- 2nd Lt. James H. Cameron, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from Beauregard Parish
- Capt. Ronald M. Chatelain (attending), U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from Shreveport
- Capt. Allen Ross Culpepper, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from Minden
- 1st Lt. Hugh L. Fontaine, U.S. Army Air Service, Distinguished Service Cross (second award), from New Orleans
- Spc. 4th Class Michael Arthur Fontaine, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from New Orleans
- Capt. Joseph V. Giesemann Jr., U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from New Orleans
- Pvt. Dewey Halphen, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from St. Martinville
- Lt. j.g. Joseph Floyd Hungerford, U.S. Naval Reserve, Navy Cross, from Gueydan
- Pvt. 1st Class Cyril B. Landry, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from Jefferson Parish
- Spc. 4th Class Larry Joseph Loncon, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from New Iberia
- Capt. Claude A. Martin, U.S. Army, Distinguished Service Cross, from Welsh
- 1st Lt. Lloyd L. Polette Jr., Distinguished Service Cross, from Caddo Parish
- Lt. Cmdr. Jack William Wintle, U.S. Navy, Navy Cross, from Shreveport
- Capt. Howard Leyland Young, U.S. Navy, Navy Cross, from New Iberia

Each branch awards their service cross members who have demonstrated extreme valor in the face of an armed enemy. These awards are second only to the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Family members, friends and guests from throughout the United States will attend. Admission is free. Guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. For more information, contact Crystal Mouton at 337.898.9645 or 337.652.2751 or e-mail crystal.mouton@sos.la.gov.

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